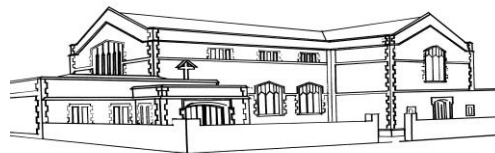


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11th March 2018

4th Sunday of Lent



TIMES OF SERVICES & GROUP MEETINGS THIS WEEK

MONDAY 12 th	11.00 a.m. 6.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	MASS at Carmel Confirmation Group in the Parish Centre Prayer Group in the Parish Centre
TUESDAY 13 th	<u>9.30 a.m.</u> 10.00 a.m.–11.30 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 2.00 p.m. 7.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	MASS with Morning Prayer Toddler Group in the Parish Centre Lee Valley Deanery Meeting at Ches hunt Funeral Service for Margaret Nichols on R.I.P. at Woollensbrook Crematorium, Rediscover Jesus - light supper & discussion in the Parish Centre
WEDNESDAY 14 th	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m. 8.00 p.m.	MASS with Morning Prayer Widowed, Separated & Divorced Group in the Parish Centre Lent Group 22 Milton Road Lent Group 1 Ware Park Cottages
THURSDAY 15 th	<u>9.30 a.m.</u> 10.30 a.m. 11.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	MASS with Morning Prayer Lent Group in the Parish Centre Hertfordshire Clergy, Lenten Day of Recollection at Focolare Centre, WGC RCIA in the Parish Centre
FRIDAY 16 th	7.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m. 12.00 noon 7.30 p.m.	MASS Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament MASS Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY 17 th St Patrick	9.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. 1.00 p.m. 6.30 p.m.	Confessions for First Holy Communion Children Baptism: Stella Reeves FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY
SUNDAY 18 th 5th Sunday of Lent	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	MASS MASS

MASS BOOK PAGE 162
Response to today's Psalm
"O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!"

READINGS NEXT WEEK:
Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 50:3-4, 12-15, response v12
Hebrews 5 7-9 Gospel John 12:20-30
MONEY COUNTING TEAM NO. 1 THIS WEEK

CHURCH CLEANING

This week Kate Corcoran,
thank you.

PARISH CENTRE CLEANING

This week

First Communion Welcomers Rota

THIS WEEKEND

10th/11th March

6.30 p.m. Alex Lane & family
8.30 a.m. Naomi Pereira & family
10.30 a.m. Gabriel Greenfield & family

NEXT WEEKEND

17th/18th March

6.30 p.m. Oliver & William Bailey &
family
8.30 a.m. Harriet Pereira & family
10.30 a.m. Jasmine Di Zenzo & family

1st Meeting for Confirmation Candidates
Monday 12th March

Please will all candidates bring to this first meeting pictures of 3 celebrities or sports people who they admire.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The Parish accounts for 2017 were submitted to the Diocese Finance Office by the February deadline. Due to the one-off cost of the tree work, the main parish income shows a deficit for the year (£3,244). There has, however, been another year of generous donations and fundraising to fund the new Parish Centre (£25,135) which, with gift aid and Growing in Faith income, resulted in £45,289 being available to repay a large part of the debt. A one-page summary sheet, showing both accounts and the estimated final costs/income for the Parish Centre project, is on the noticeboard at the back of the church. A heart-felt thank you to everyone who has contributed financially, in kind or by prayer.



REDISCOVER JESUS – for Lent & Easter

At Christmas every family was given a copy of Matthew Kelly’s book ‘Rediscover Jesus’. I hope that you have had a chance to explore it. As a follow up, there will be an evening of ‘light supper and light discussion’ on **Tuesday 13th March from 7.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.** We will explore how the book can help us in our Lenten preparation as we journey towards Easter. All are welcome. I hope you will be able to come along. *Deacon Adrian*

BAPTISM PREPARATION

The next Baptism Preparation session for parents of ‘first’ children is on Saturday **24th March from 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. in the parish centre.** If you have had your first child or are expecting your first child you are welcome to come along.

**“We Adore You, O Christ, and We Praise You”:
The Gift of the Holy Eucharist**

The **Faith-Sharing Small Groups for Lent** explore how the Eucharist is central to our lives as Catholics. There are groups meeting over the six weeks, please consider joining a small group this Lent.

Each session stands alone, so there is no problem in just coming to a session or two.

Details of days, times, venues and contact details are:

<u>Leader</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date of meeting</u>	<u>Contact details</u>
Jan Woodford	22 Milton Road	Wednesday 14 th March 7.30 pm	01920 420758
Noreen McAllen	1 Ware Park Cottages	Wednesday 14 th March 8 pm	01920 466642
Alan Chapman	Parish Centre	Thursday 15 th March 10.30am	01920 485614

If you would like to set up a new group, please talk to Dcn Adrian or Mary Hallett.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

The next World Meeting of Families with Pope Francis takes place in Dublin from **21st – 26th August.** This gathering brings together couples, families and individuals from all over the world to celebrate, pray, and reflect on the joys and challenges of marriage and family life. To find out about joining our Westminster Diocesan Group please email family@rcdow.org.uk, and to visit the World Meeting of Families website just type in www.worldmeeting2018.ie.

RECONCILIATION BEFORE EASTER

**Penitential Service for the parish on Thursday
22nd March at 7.30 p.m.**

Also there are other Penitential Services locally:

Hoddesdon: Tuesday 27th March at 7.15.p.m.

Bishop's Stortford: Wednesday 21st March 7.30 p.m.

**Hertford parish (tel. 01992 582019) has many extra
confessions during Holy Week.**

LONDON MARATHON 2018 – Make a Wish Foundation UK

Alison Deane is running the London Marathon on April 22nd for Make a Wish Foundation UK. The charity work to create and grant the life-changing wishes of children with critical illnesses to provide respite from the daily struggles that come with living with a life-threatening condition. If you would like to donate, Alison will be in the Parish Centre after Mass this weekend collecting donations and with more information about Make a Wish Foundation.

PERMANENT DEACON 'COME AND SEE'

Men wanting to know more about the Permanent Diaconate are invited to come to a two hour meeting from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon at: Ealing Abbey on Saturday 14th April or Our Lady and St Vincent, Potters Bar Saturday 12th May. No booking needed. Wives welcome. Contact details Deacon Adrian Cullen 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony Clark 07545 373548.

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 19th May 2018 at 3.00 p.m.

The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage during 2018. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give Fr. John the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email). By the 20th March latest, thank you.

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS NEED TO BE AT THE PRESBYTERY IN WRITING OR E-MAIL BY
9.00 AM THURSDAY WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO.**

NEW PARISHIONERS Please get a parish membership form from the parish website: www.sacredheartware.com or ask for one. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox, thank you.